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Lafayette Community Church

JUSTICE

Deuteronomy 16:18-21:23 • Message 4

BUMPER • PRAY • MOSES' FINAL WORDS, END OF HIS LIFE, BEGINNING OF THEIRS

- God blesses his people who honor him and judges those who don't.
- God's people are all who respond to his call with love and obedience.
- God's special people value him above all else.

THIS WEEK OUR COUNTRY IS CONFRONTED WITH THE CHALLENGE OF SELECTING OUR LEADERS

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE GOD'S SPECIAL PEOPLE?

I honor God as the **SOURCE** of **JUSTICE**.

THE SOURCE OF JUSTICE

DT. 16:18-21:23 (P. 88)

18-20 : HOW DO YOU DEFINE JUSTICE? • TSADEQ • RIGHTNESS / IS THE WAY IT SHOULD BE 21-17:1 • 17:2-7 (DIDN'T HE SAY THIS ALREADY // WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?)

Our idea of justice is **F L A W E D**

LET THAT SINK IN • WHEN MY SISTER LOOKED AT ME FUNNY, THE RIGHT THING WAS TO ...
MY IDEA WAS FLAWED • BART AND THE MESSY TRAY • MY IDEA FLAWED • ADAM AND EVE
WHEN YOU LOOK AT OUR WORLD • YOUR IDEA IS FLAWED

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17:8-12 •• HONOR GOD AS THE SOURCE OF ALL JUSTICE

GOD'S KIND OF JUSTICE

- Dt. 17:14-20 On voting: Pray for direction; select someone humble.
- Dt 18 On leadership: Show respect, but avoid the frauds.
- Dt 19 On crime: Establish cities of refuge & don't abide false witness.
- Dt 20 On armies: Voluntary only because God fights for you.
- Dt 21 On social justice: Treat everyone with respect!

ARMIES 20:1-9 • RESPECT 21:10-14, 22-23

A BUGGER JUSTUCE

TURN: DT. 18:15 • ANOTHER COVENANT → DEATH • 21:22:23

A PROPHET LIKE MOSES • FALSE PROPHET → DEATH • IF DEATH WITH EXPOSURE, BURY THE BODY ROMANS 3:21-26

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